

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-7 (Canceled).

8. (New): A passive indicator of voltage comprising:

electrically conductive first and second layers, wherein the first layer comprises smaller conductive portions that are separated from each other and are not in contact with each other, and wherein at least one of the first and second layers is at least partially transparent;

an intermediate layer disposed between the first and second layers, the intermediate layer having electrooptical properties; and

first and second diodes connecting the first and second layers, the first and second diodes being oriented in opposite directions with respect to the first and second layers.

9. (New): The passive indicator of claim 8, wherein the intermediate layer is an electrophoretic structure.

10. (New): The passive indicator of claim 8, wherein the intermediate layer is an electrochromic structure.

11. (New): The passive indicator of claim 8, wherein the second layer is transparent.

12. (New): The passive indicator of claim 11, wherein the first layer is non-transparent.

13. (New): The passive indicator of claim 12, wherein the smaller conductive portions of the first layer comprise first and second portions, and wherein the first portion is connected to an anode input of the first diode and the second portion is connected to a cathode output of the second diode.

14. (New): The passive indicator of claim 12, wherein the second layer is a unitary structure.

15. (New): The passive indicator of claim 12, wherein the second layer comprises smaller conductive portions that are separated from each other and are not in contact with each other.

16. (New): The passive indicator of claim 8, wherein the passive indicator is flexible.

17. (New): The passive indicator of claim 16, wherein the first and second layers adhere to the intermediate layer.

18. (New): The passive indicator of claim 8, wherein the intermediate layer functions as a display element and the first and second layers function as electrodes for the display element, and wherein the optical properties of the intermediate layer change when the intermediate layer is subjected to an electric field having forces disposed perpendicular to the intermediate layer.